

US Naval Station Washington
(Naval District Washington Anacostia Annex)

Motorcycle Rider Training Program

Location

The US Naval Station, also known as the NDW Anacostia Annex, is located between I-295 and the Anacostia River in Southwest Washington, D.C. near I-295 Exit 3A. It is North of the Naval Research Lab and Bolling Air Force Base, and South of the South Capitol Street Bridge and the 11th Street Bridge.

The main entrance to NDW Anacostia Annex is at the intersection of South Capitol Street and Firth-Sterling Avenue. There is a traffic light at this intersection. Firth-Sterling becomes Defense Boulevard as you enter the base. You may also enter from Bolling Air Force Base; Chappie James Boulevard becomes Defense Boulevard at the transition between the two facilities.

NDW RiderCourse range activities are taught on the parking lot between the football field on Defense Boulevard and the Building Number 92, the PSD Building, which is a white two-story structure. As you enter from South Capitol Street and Firth-Sterling Avenue, Defense Boulevard makes a large curve to the left before reaching the football field. Turn right onto Wick Drive just before the football field to get to the range.

Classes meet on the range, the parking lot between the football field and the PSD Building, at 0730.

NDW RiderCourse classroom activities are taught in Room 222 of Building 351, the Navy Marine Corps Reserve Center. This building is across the street from the football field on Defense Boulevard. From Defense Boulevard, turn onto Spruance Court to go to the front of the Reserve center, where there are a limited number of parking spaces for motorcycles. Turn onto Thomas Road to enter the parking garage across from the Reserve Center, where there is ample covered parking for cars and motorcycles.

Directions from I-95 South of DC (Quantico, Ft Belvoir)

As you approach Springfield and the DC Beltway, stay in the middle or left lanes and follow the signs for DC and I-395. *Do not take the right exit onto I-95 toward Baltimore; do not take the right exit onto I-495 toward Tysons Corner.*

Continue on I-395 past the Pentagon and Crystal City and enter DC on the 14th Street Bridge. Bear right at the end of the bridge. *Do not take the left lane(s) to 14th Street.* Stay in the middle or left lanes as you pass exits for 12th Street, Main Avenue, the House, C Street, and the US Capitol. Look for the lane marked South Capitol Street. After passing the US Capitol exit, get in the right lane and take the South Capitol Street exit. Get in the middle or left lane, go under M Street and cross over the Anacostia River on the South Capitol Street Bridge. At the end of the bridge bear right to stay on South Capitol Street. *Do not go under I-295.* Turn right at the traffic light, which is the intersection of South Capitol Street and Firth-Sterling Avenue, to enter NDW Anacostia on Defense Boulevard.

Directions from US 1 South of DC (Mount Vernon, Ft Belvoir)

Take US 1 North and get on the DC Beltway (I-95) heading toward the Wilson Bridge to cross the Potomac River into Maryland (heading toward Baltimore). After crossing the bridge, take the exit for I-295 North. Pass exits for Naval Research Lab and Bolling Air Force Base. Take Exit 3A marked Suitland Parkway and US Naval Station. At the bottom of the ramp a sign marked US Naval Station points to the right. Turn right onto Firth-Sterling Avenue, go under I-295 and immediately come to the intersection of Firth-Sterling Avenue and South Capitol Street. Cross through the intersection to enter NDW Anacostia. You will then be on Defense Boulevard.

Directions from Route 210 (Indian Head)

Take Route 210 toward DC and get onto I-295 heading North near the DC Beltway. Pass exits for Naval Research Lab and Bolling Air Force Base. Take Exit 3A marked Suitland Parkway and US Naval Station. At the bottom of the ramp a sign marked US Naval Station points to the right. Turn right onto Firth-Sterling Avenue, go under I-295 and immediately come to the intersection of Firth-Sterling Avenue and South Capitol Street. Cross through the intersection to enter NDW Anacostia. You will then be on Defense Boulevard.

Directions from Route 5 (Pax River)

Go Northwest on Route 5 (Branch Avenue) until you reach I-95 (the DC Beltway). You can remain on Branch Avenue and take Suitland Parkway toward DC (West) or you can get on I-95 heading toward the Wilson Bridge and Richmond, taking I-295 North and following the directions for "from US 1 South of DC" above.

Directions from Suitland Parkway (Andrews Air Force Base, ONI)

Take Suitland Parkway toward DC. At the traffic light just before I-295, turn left onto Firth-Sterling Avenue. There are railroad tracks at this intersection. Take Firth-Sterling under I-295 and immediately come to the intersection of Firth-Sterling Avenue and South Capitol Street. Cross through the intersection to enter NDW Anacostia. You will then be on Defense Boulevard.

Directions from Route 4 (Solomons, Pax River)

Take Route 4 toward DC. Take exit for Suitland Parkway, Andrews AFB, Route 337; follow directions for "from Suitland Parkway."

Directions from US 50 to the East (Annapolis)

Take US 50 West toward DC. Pass the DC Beltway (US 95) and stay on US 50. Merge onto I-295 heading South at Kenilworth Avenue. Do not follow the signs toward New York Avenue. Take Exit 3A marked Suitland Parkway and US Naval Station. Go under I-295. *Do not turn right at the sign for Marine Barracks.* Go to the traffic light and turn right onto Firth-Sterling Street. A sign at this intersection points right toward Naval District Washington Anacostia Annex. Take Firth-Sterling back under I-295 and immediately come to the intersection of Firth-Sterling Avenue and South Capitol Street. Cross through the intersection to enter NDW Anacostia. You will then be on Defense Boulevard.

Directions from I-295 Northeast of DC (NSG, Ft Meade)

Take I-295 Southeast toward DC. Pass the DC Beltway (I-95) and stay on I-295. Be careful when I-295 merges with US 50 at Kenilworth Avenue as traffic enters from both sides. Stay on I-295 heading South. Take Exit 3A marked Suitland Parkway and US Naval Station. Go under I-295. *Do not turn right at the sign for Marine Barracks.* Go to the traffic light and turn right onto Firth-Sterling Avenue. A sign at this intersection points right toward "Naval District Washington Anacostia Annex." Take Firth-Sterling Avenue back under I-295 and immediately come to the intersection of Firth-Sterling Avenue and South Capitol Street. Cross through the intersection to enter NDW Anacostia. You will then be on Defense Boulevard.